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Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

### **UNITED STATES PATENTS**

<u>PATENTEE</u>	<u>PATENT NO.</u>	ISSUE DATE
Hsiaoming Sherman Tan	5,884,846	March 23, 1999
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F. Lim, et al., Microencapsulated Islets as Bioartificial Endocrine Pancreas, Science Magazine, vol. 210, 1980, pages 908-910

The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. We have enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them. In conformance with the waiver of the copy requirement in 37 C.F.R. §1.98 for cited U.S. patents issued on August 5, 2003, no copies of the foregoing U.S. patents are enclosed.

A copy of the English version of the International Search Report for the corresponding PCT application serial no. PCT/EP2005/001891 is also submitted herewith.

Applicant is not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

If any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 502335. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed for that purpose.

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